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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-20 and 22-26 are pending in the application. Claims 1-20 and 22-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a).

**Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a)****Rejection Under O'Donnell, Weaver, Hsu and Lipsanen**

Claims 1-14, 16-21 and 23-25 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over U. S. Patent Number 6,266,514 issued to O'Donnell on July 24, 2001 in view of U. S. Patent Number 7,206,573 issued to Weaver on April 17, 2007 and U.S. Patent Number 7,272,387 issued to Hsu et al. on September 18, 2007 and U. S. Patent Number 7,103,345 issued to Lipsanen on September 6, 2006.

Applicants have avoided this ground of rejection for the following reasons.

Applicants' claim 1, as amended, now recites,

"a network component operable to employ a) one or more call characteristics to make a determination to initiate a request to a switch component for one or more positions of one or more mobile stations and b) one or more call parameters to identify one or more cellular network cells associated with the one or more mobile stations, wherein at least one of the one or more call parameters employed to identify one of the one or more cellular network cells is a telephony number of at least one of the one or more mobile stations; and

wherein the network component is operable to receive, in response to the request, the one or more positions of the one or more mobile stations from a position component operable to determine the one or more positions of the one or more mobile stations continuously; and

wherein the network component comprises one of a magnetic, optical, biological, or atomic data storage medium."

As stated in the Final Office Action, the Examiner agrees that O'Donnell does **not** specifically disclose "wherein the network component is operable to receive, in response to the request, the one or more positions of the one or more mobile stations from a position component that determines the one or more positions of the one or more mobile stations continuously". The Examiner proposes to combine Weaver with

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O'Donnell, Hsu and Lipsanen to reject the features of applicants' recited "network component".

More specifically, the Examiner has equated O'Donnell's base station controller to applicants' recited "network component" in order to achieve applicants' claim 1. However, O'Donnell does not disclose a data storage medium for the base station controller. See FIG. 2. Even assuming that O'Donnell's base station controller has a storage medium, O'Donnell does not teach or suggest that the base station controller comprises one of a magnetic, optical, biological, or atomic data storage medium. Thus, O'Donnell is missing the "wherein the network component comprises one of a magnetic, optical, biological, or atomic data storage medium" elements, as recited in applicants' claim 1.

Applicants acknowledge that Weaver, Hsu and Lipsanen disclose base station controllers. Similar to O'Donnell, Weaver, Hsu and Lipsanen do not disclose a data storage medium for the base station controllers. Thus, Weaver, Hsu and Lipsanen are missing the "wherein the network component comprises one of a magnetic, optical, biological, or atomic data storage medium" elements, as recited in applicants' claim 1.

Therefore the proposed combination of O'Donnell as modified by Weaver, Hsu and Lipsanen does not teach or suggest all of the limitations in applicants' claim 1, and therefore claim 1 is allowable over the proposed combination. Since claims 2-14, 16-17 and 22-26 depend from allowable claim 1, these claims are also allowable.

Independent claim 18 has limitations similar to that of independent claim 1, which, as shown above, is not taught by the proposed combination. For example, claim 18 recites, "wherein the network component comprises one of a magnetic, optical, biological, or atomic data storage medium". The proposed combination does not teach or suggest this limitation for the above-mentioned reasons. Therefore, claim 18 is likewise allowable over the proposed combination. Since claims 19-20 depend from claim 18, these dependent claims are also allowable over the proposed combination.

#### Rejections Under O'Donnell, Weaver, Hsu, Lipsanen, Jeong, Alperovich and Powers

Claim 15 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over O'Donnell in view of Weaver, Hsu, and Lipsanen as applied to claim 13, and further in

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view of U.S. Patent Application Number 20050119013 issued to Jeong et al. dated June 2, 2005.

Claim 22 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over O'Donnell in view of Weaver, Hsu, and Lipsanen as applied to claim 16, and further in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,233,448 issued to Alperovich et al. on May 15, 2001.

Claim 26 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over O'Donnell in view of Weaver, Hsu, and Lipsanen as applied to claim 4, and further in view of U.S. Patent Number 6,832,086 issued to Powers.

Applicants respectfully traverse these grounds of rejection.

These rejections are based on the rejection under O'Donnell, Weaver, Hsu and Lipsanen being proper. As that ground of rejection has been overcome, and none of the cited references teach or suggest "wherein the network component comprises one of a magnetic, optical, biological, or atomic data storage medium", as recited in applicants' independent claims 1 and 18, the proposed combinations of O'Donnell, Weaver, Hsu, Lipsanen, Jeong and Alperovich does not supply this missing element. Thus, these combinations do not make obvious any of applicants' claims, all of which require the aforesaid limitation.

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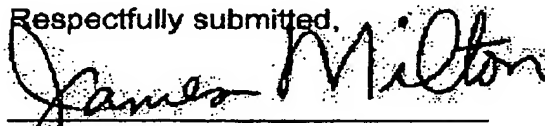
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Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the Office Action's rejections have been overcome and that this application is now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are, therefore, respectfully solicited.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, allowance of all claims pending is respectfully requested. If a telephone conference would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call applicants' attorney.

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